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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Mark Auch et al.

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Serial No. : 09/989,362

Examiner : Jasmine Jihan B. Clark

Filed : November 20, 2001

Title : ENCAPSULATION OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Commissioner for Patents

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PETITION TO ACCEPT AN UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED REFERENCE TO AN  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO WHICH PRIORITY IS CLAIMED

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR §1.78(a)(3) to have the enclosed preliminary amendment entered in the above referenced application. The preliminary amendment is necessary to explicitly reference, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2)(ii), the international filing date of International Application Serial No. PCT/SG99/00143 to which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

The reference to the filing date of International Application Serial No. PCT/SG99/00143 was due on or before April 17, 2001. Applicant submitted a Preliminary Amendment on April 14, 2003 to add reference to the filing date of the prior filed application, but the Preliminary Amendment failed to include a petition under 37 CFR §1.78(a)(3).

Applicant hereby submits, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3), that the entire delay from April 17, 2001 to April 14, 2003 was unintentional. Applicant further submits that the entire delay from April 14, 2003 to the filing of this petition was unintentional. Enclosed herein is the surcharge required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t).

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